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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Patent Application**

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Filing Date	1/27/1999	Serial No.	09/238,224
Examiner	Michael Opsasnick	Group Art Unit	2645
Title	Advanced TTS for Facial Animation		

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AMENDMENT

In response to an Office action dated November 27, 2001 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS: (entire outstanding set, ready for OCR)

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of:

1. A method for generating a signal rich in prosody information comprising the steps

including in said signal a plurality of phonemes represented by phoneme symbols,
including in said signal a duration specification associated with each of said
phonemes,

including, for at least one of said phonemes, at least two prosody parameter
specifications, with each specification of a prosody parameter specifying a target value for
said prosody parameter and a point in time for reaching said target value.

2. The method of claim 1 where at least one of said two prosody parameter
specifications specifies pitch.

3. The method of claim 1 where at least one of said two prosody parameter
specifications specifies energy.

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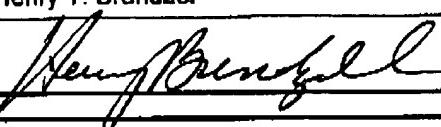
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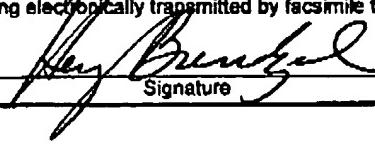
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